THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1892.

THE FARMERS' GARDEN. Tools Required to Make Vegetable Rais-

ing Easy and Profitable. the plow and harrow, to reduce his ly as practicable all weeds. Plowing

If horse labor can be used and the prices attained will be much larger ground laid out so as to admit a horse, much less hand labor will be required wanted; and hence the importance of know fully about it you can easily do so cows.



ments and a good shed for the larger. The smaller tools may be hung up and systematically arranged. Every one should have its place, and when not in actual use, should be in its place. Those which are hooked in form may be hung on pins, or on a horizontal bar against the wall, or between two pins; and the name of each tool should be plainly and handsomely written under it. It will be an important advantage if the gardener or laborer can thus quickly lay his hand on what he wants to use, and find it clean and in perfect order for work. A few seconds only are needed to clean the fresh soil off from a spade or hoe when done with, instead of leaving it dirty and in a way to become rusty. This will be better than throwing them down promiseuously on the floor.

Some skill may at first be required in room or against the wall, for the lighter ones. Fig. 1 represents such an arrangement, and embraces nearly all tools that will be wanted for keeping the farmer's garden in good order, after the horse has been used as far as practic-



able. The horse should be passed through every week, requiring perhaps probably at least a day or two of hand labor, and worth still more in the fine growth of vegetables by this good, mellaw and clean cultivation.

One of the first tools which the gardener will want in spring is the broad hoe-and it will be more or less needed till the ground freezes in winter. It is of great importance, therefore, to get best and enough of them, and to keep them bright and sharp. A laborer | in this case might be further apart than work in a day or in a year with the best tool than with a poor one. Mr. J. II. Hale uses a hoe made of the best ly fitted for thinning and cutting out the one-horse plow does not reach.

may be purchased for ten or twelve dollars, and together with the horse labor will save twice that sum the first year, and give fifty dollars increased value to the crops. Farmers who have not yet commenced gardening operations may spend stormy days in procuring or polishing the tools which they have and fitting them for approaching active work .- Country Gentleman.

AMONG THE POULTRY.

EMBDEN geese will lay two settings AFTER they once begin, guineas are

very regular layers.

ELEVEN turkey or duck eggs are enough to put under a hen. LET young poultry stay in the nest until they are thoroughly dry.

CARE must be taken not to allow the early turkey eggs to get chilled.

SETTING hens should have an opportunity to come off the nest once every day. THE setting hens will not be so lia-

ble to be disturbed if placed in dark corners. Ducks and turkeys should rarely be turned out until they are at least two

weeks old. SAND is one of the best materials to keep on the floor of the coops; it is easi-

ly eleaned up. WHEN hens have been laying for some time the last eggs are not so good for hatching as the first. WHENEVER there is a considerable

number of young chickens it will pay to provide a separate place for them to As the weather gets warmer lice will

begin to be more troublesome. Unless kept down the chickens will not make a thrifty growth. The hen that sings is the hen that

can be depended on to do her best to pay her way. She has vigor, and it

#### ALL AROUND THE FARM.

Under proper management either the wool or the increase should pay for keeping while the other should be profit, but sheep cannot grow wool or furnish nutritious milk to lambs if they have of the soil as well as for the animals. only sufficient food to maintain animal life; it requires more food during winter when the animals have no shelter animal food which it will not cat. The than when they are well protected.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Maine the soil with that which it requires. Farmer cures colic in sheep by dissolving two tablespoonfuls of epsom salts In about two hours the sheep pounds the most.

When the horse's head is held up by every per-It is not advisable to feed young pigs the overcheck rein it endeavors to find bis share.

on fattening food, nor should they be relief by throwing its head up, in order kept in a fat condition. The pig should to relieve the pressure on the mouth, ign fat all the year, which not only pain causes loss of appetite afflict them, especially in summer, but the lower experiments made in feeding cows too much fut retards growth. A clover at the lower experiment station it was pacture is better than feeding largely demonstrated that a cow will cat sev-

BEET sugar is receiving more attention every year. Clay soil gives the highest percentage of an av. The pens and clover in the stable, will average yield of sugar from beets is give more milk than when fed on a about fourteen per cent., and over good blue grass pasture. The first implements which a farmer | twenty tons of beet can be grown on needs after the land for his garden is an acre, the cost of which, for seed, laid off and suitably drained, are the labor, etc., is about \$40. Over 7,000 pounds of sugar can be realized from ground to a deep and thoroughly mel- an acre, but this yield depends on the

low condition, and to extirpate as near-soil, the fartilizers used and the season. Turnui always a market for somethe ground once, and leaving it encum- thing better than the market affords. bered with clods, will not answer at all, and will end in failure for many meat, butter, milk or fruit, plenty of garden crops. The land must be finely room will be found for it, even in a pulverized. This will cause all good erowded market. The surplus remainseeds to germinate, and all the young ing un old is that which is inferior. By plants to grow until they have given a good return in products of the best be examined and "culled," less transcarefully assorting all articles that can portation costs will result and the

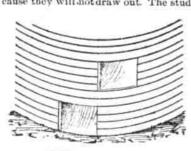
The Cause of Chicken Cholera. to keep the garden perfectly clear of through itee I think all the chickens in cause we have heard so many comnot, a good supply of tools will be re- the country would have the cholera, for plaints from various quarters. In By selecting the best, and wherever the chickens exist so do the cow stable kept ordinarily clean, with keeping them bright and sharp, and lice to a greater or less extent. Sixteen placed under shelter at the close of years ago we had t'-chicken cholera, kept sprinkled with some absorbent to every day, they may be used efficiently and out of sixty chie as it left us only save the strength of the manure, there and satisfactorily. They should be ni-ways kept in place and no valuable know the cause. If you have the chick-stench to the clothing or to the boots time lost in looking for them when en cholera on your farm and wish to of those who milk and care for the

a good tool room for the smaller imple-also. Chicken cholera or any other thus, cleanliness in the stable will cholera does not begin on the outside of give no cause for uncleanliness or disa hen but in the internal organs of the agreeable odors carried to the house. er will originate these death-dealing habit, is too preposterous to be tolercholera bacteria. Hence all should be ated. It is not necessary that a man burned promptly.-William Hamilton, go about the streets with clothes

CHEAP HAY SHELTER.

Some of the Advantages of an Octagonal best and most successful dairymen in or Cylindrical Structure. cheap construction of the silo, I see the | and frock and are at work about the Wisconsin experiment station has made stable. Even if your stable is not one as follows: The frame is merely a equipped with new modern improve-circle of 2 by 4 studs 16 inches apart on ments, it is just as easy, and we think a suitable foundation, and lined with a easier, to keep it clean than foul and double covering of 6-inch boards with dirty. There must be good drainage, paper between. The boards readily and all stables need this to carry off pring to the studding, being put on the urine. If you haven't anything bethorizontally. They completely and ter than sawdust or shavings for an ab-firmly "hoop" this great cylinder, their sorbent use them freely, but they are ends running by one another, so that no not good to retain the strength of the two end on the same stud. The silo manure. Plaster is a good absorbent has proved a success, although contain- for this latter purpose. Do not smear ing a much heavier material than hay, dung about the walls of the stable to and one more likely to exert a lateral stop up cracks as we have often seen pressure.

age barns for fodder be creeted on the on their udders.-Geo. E. Newell, in same principle, leaving off the expense | Prairie Farmer. arranging them on the side of the tool- of a double living with tar paper between, and depending on the covering entirely for both "hooping" and protec- A House That Seems to Offer a Number tion? In the case of the Wisconsin silo, half-inch lumber was used. Let inch | The design is intended for a chean boards be put on around the structure, and easily constructed house for ducks one lapping over the one next below it that are laying, and may be used for like clapboards, and increased strength the entire flock also. There being no and lessened expense will result, for roosts, the object is to secure floor lock can be bought at 83 to \$12 per sides, and any kind of water-proof thousand. Good eight-penny nails are preferable to wire nails for the work because they will not draw out. The studs



SECTION OF SHELTER.

with a good tool will do twice as much | 16 inches. Solid posts set in the earth | leaking. The floor is kept covered with and saved off 18 inches high, then halved | cut straw or hay. The nests are simply 6 inches down, to receive the studs, will boarded off at the lower sides, and need serve a good foundation purpose. I not be partitioned, having only entrance cast steel, the blade having the form | mention cheap lumber instead of other | holes. The sills may rest on bricks of represented in Fig. 2, and being special- protectors which I used, like oiled stones, so as to raise them from the cloth, paper, tin, etc., because it ground. The house may be made of any weeds which spring up in strawberry is much more durable and costs only rows and in the strips of ground which a trille more in the beginning. The All the tools represented in Fig. 1 hay will settle perfectly, sliding down to such a house is very little.—

the bare study inside the building without obstruction. For filling such a building, a track for hay sling or horse fork can be arranged across its top, pro- Bolley of the North Dakota station hillside, so that the teams can draw the | if he cannot entirely eradicate the disloads to the upper edge. To roof it is ease. He finds no substantial evidence simple: A conical roof is preferred, as that any soil of whatsoever kind can in it possesses both strength and beauty. itself give origin to the disease. But it. The conical roof when framed and covered with rough boards may be

shingled or papered. When the hav, straw or stalks is refeet wide left in the sading, but never put in, these are set in the openings, with their upper edge inside and their ower edge outside the siding, that all the drip from above and all the beating rain may be caught and thrown outside be wet. Such shelter will cost \$1 to \$2.50 per ton of capacity, according to price of lumber and kind of roof.— Hollister Sage, in Country Gentleman.

#### FACTS FOR FARMERS.

Cows coming in in the fall will give thirty per cent more milk in the year on the same food than if they ealved in

It may be an open question whether t will pay all farmers to feed cooked food to their hogs, but there is no doubt that cooked food will make more flesh than uncooked, because a larger proportion will be digested and

keep longer than the same fruit grown on cultivated land. Late keeping varieties, therefore, should always be grown in grass lands. So said Mr. Hadwen, at a recent meeting of the

Massachusetts horticultural society. It is necessary to balance the ration Feeding the soil with something it does not require is equivalent to giving an Zero. best fertilizers are those which supply

best fertilizers are those which supply the soil with that which it requires.

A correspondent of the Journal of Agriculture selected two hogs of the same size, weight, age and thrift. To one he gave an ounce of salt daily; to in about a half pint of warm water, and same size, weight, age and thrift. To adding one teaspoonful of essence of one he gave an ounce of salt daily; to peppermint. Open the sheep's mouth the other none. The one salted had a man's life has increased five years and and insert a small funnel in it. A boy much keener appetite than the other, can pour the salts while the sheep is , and in three months weighed fifty

copt growing, and it is time enough and to relax the museles of the neck. ca him after the frame has been The horse is in constant torture until Some farmers keep their the rein is loosened, and at times the

enty-five pounds of green food daily, if

PLEA FOR CLEANLINESS.

Neatness in the Stables Essential to Suceess in Dalcylac. It is an unpleasant statement that you can tell some dairymen by their smell

and yet we have heard the remark We can find no excuse for any farmer who keeps cows and who brings the rank scent of stable tang into his kitch en and dining-room. At such a farmer table we should expect to taste as well mell the stable tang in the cream and

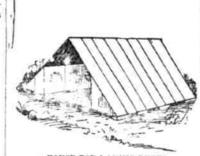
Among all thrifty dairymen we are glad to say such symptoms are exceptional and not the rule. This subject is

Thus, cleanliness in the stable will This subject of stable odor in milk is system. Bacteria of a hurtful variety | This subject of stable odor in milk is is the real cause. Sometimes this is not a light one that should be condoned bred on the farms, sometimes imported in some dairymen year after year; it to the farm by fowls, rabbits, birds or should be summarily dealt with by maninsects that can fly. The germs are ufacturers and consumers. The idea of taken into the system by the mouth letting one of the most nutritious prodonly unless inoculated. The dead bodies | ucts of the farm become saturated with of horses, cattle, hogs, cats, rats, the essence of animal excrement, and snakes or any putrified careass, whatev- that without an excuse save a slovenly

seented with a barnyard smell simply because he is a dairyman; in fact it is utterly unnecessary. The the land carry no such trade mark, not In a recent printed discussion on even when they are dressed in overalls And finally keep the cows well The question arises, why cannot stor- bedded so that there will be no manure

FOR LAYING DUCKS.

of Advantuces. abundant inch or seven-eighths hem- space. The roof also serves for the



HOUSE FOR LAYING DUCKS.

paper, or tarred felt, may be used as a the boards, to prevent

Avoiding Potato Scab. After a series of experiments Prof. ecting over where the load is to drive comes to the conclusion that he can p. Or the structure can be creeted on a avoid the production of scabby potatoes least four years. Scabby or disease

Numerous stringers across the top of the disease-germ can and does remain the cylinder will be needed to strengthen in the ground from crop to crop for at bearing seed tubers can and will under ordinary circumstances produce a diseased crop. But soaking the seed moved for feeding or selling, it is taken | tubers before planting in chemical soluout through openings 2 feet high by 3 tions enabled him to raise an undiseased product from the scabblest of seed one directly above another. With the where the ground was known to be tuds but 15 inches apart, a piece 2 feet free from the disease. Seed tubers free ong will have to be removed wherever from the disease germs will in any soil, an opening it made. These windows clay, sand or muck, raise an undisare closed by vertical boards 214 feet cased produce, provided only that the long, elected together. As the hay is soils themselves are free of the dis-

Sheep Make Good Pastures Sheep make good pastures by keeping down weeds. They will clean out a the clapboards, so that the hay will not | weed patch if confined to it. They will eat up all waste vegetables and grains. Turned into a stubblefield as soon as grain is out of it, every head of loose grain will be picked up and tips of all weeds will soon be eaten. The plowing of the stubble will be easier and better done, and the next crop will be better for having been pastured by sheep. Sheep should be on every farm, more or less, and they should be bred pure no mixing up; no trying to create a betbreed; we have enough breeds. Only try to improve the breed you have and you will do well.

Careful Attention for Sheep. Farmers prefer a breed of sheep that will forage well and seek the greater portion of their food and which thrive APPLES grown in grass ground will well in large flocks. That such mode entails less labor is true, but in those countries where the largest profit is derived and where sheep are considered indispensable in farming they are kept on small areas and are as carefully fed and attended to as are the cattle.

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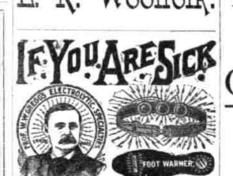
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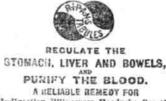
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